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Prior to the examination of this Application, please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 3, please replace paragraph [0010] with the following paragraph:

A1
[0010] Figure 4A is a first portion of a flowchart illustrating an exemplary processes that may be employed by the system shown in Figure 1. Figure 4B is a second portion of a flowchart illustrating an exemplary processes that may be employed by the system shown in Figure 1.

On page 10, please replace paragraph [0034] with the following paragraph:

A2
[0034] Figures 4A and 4B are a flowchart 200 illustrating an exemplary processes that may be employed by system 10 (shown in Fig. 1) to facilitate use. Initially, the user